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1. The former Karl Thieme firm, in Heinrichstrasse, Aschersleben, mass industrial pipe and during the war manufactured accessory parts for V-weapons. This plant is now a Union of People's Management (VVB) pipe factory and is considered an industrial strong point. *DO NOT DETACH* ENCLOSURE TO [REDACTED] 5X1A

2. The VVB pipe lines have built a new factory, 100 by 20 meters in size, on the site of the former anti-aircraft barracks on the Guestener high road. The railway connection is through the rails of the Kaliwerke Aschersleben. The factory makes piping for Mansfeld A.G. and for the Kombinat Nachterstedt. The manager of the plant is Meyer (fnu), a former buyer for the Karl Thieme firm. The former owner of the factory, Karl Thieme, lives in Wolfsburg, Buchenpfad 1 C. Thieme is a sensible man, humane, and absolutely not a Communist.
3. The Kaliwerke Ascherleben, part of the Salzdettfurth-Konzern, is at present exploiting Deutsche Handelzentrale (DHZ) scrap, because the carnallite is allegedly exhausted. Potash is not present in sufficient amount; its recovery is also unprofitable because no plant is available for its treatment. The former factory has been dismantled. The shafts at Giersleben and Schierstedt are shut down.

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